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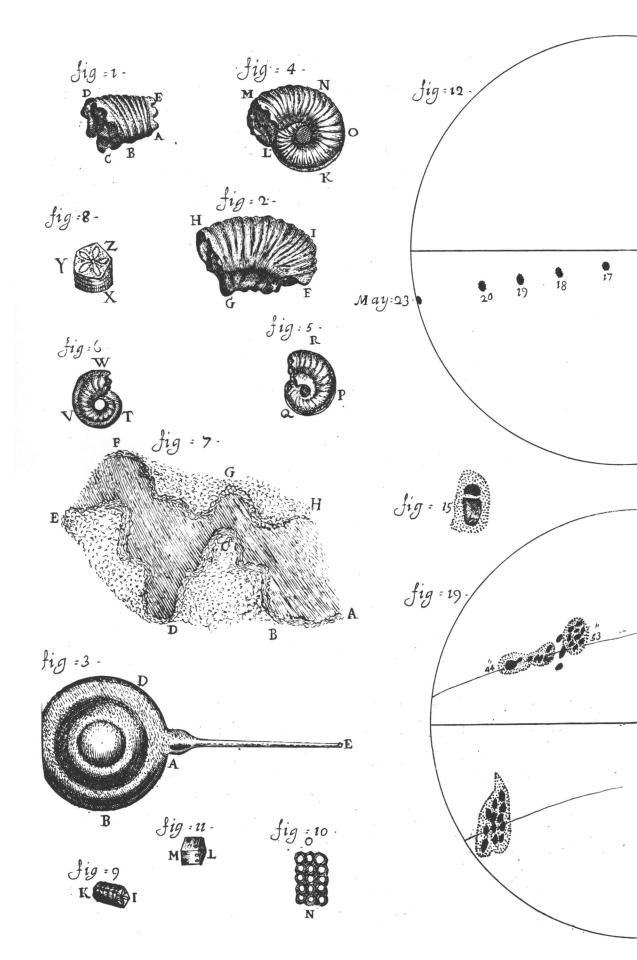
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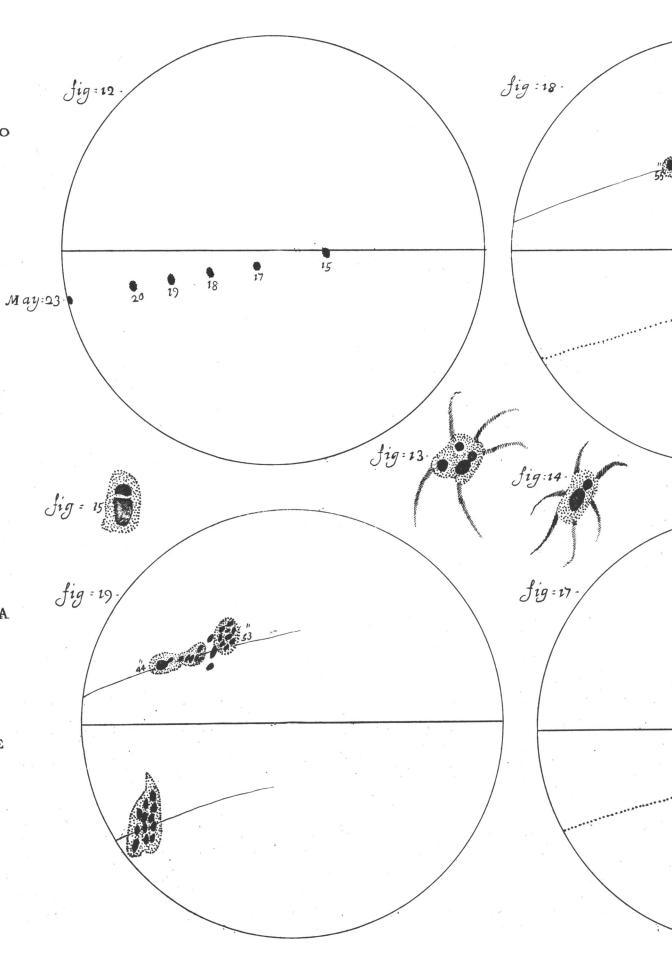
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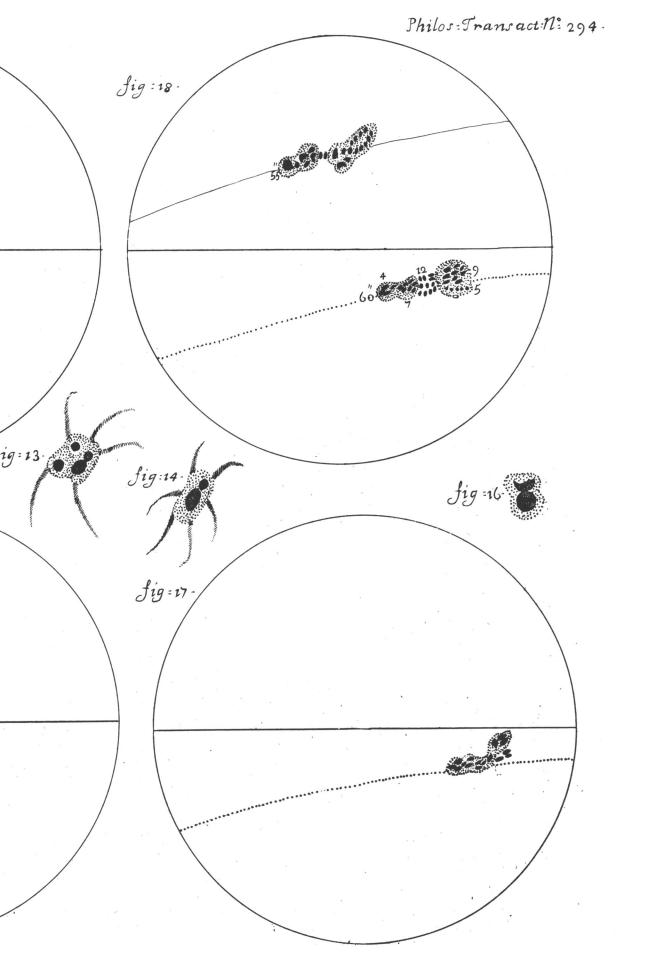
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I. Observations made by Captain Stannyan of the Spots that appear'd upon the Body of the Sun in the Months of May, June and July, in the year 1704. Communicated by Mr Hodgson, F. R. S.

May the 15th. ON Saturday, May the 15th, 1703, As I was observing the Setting of the Sun, in order to Examine my Clocks, there appeared two Suns, the Mock Sun seemed above the Real one, which was then only five degrees above the Horizon. Whereupon I took a good Seven foot Tellescope, with a small Apperture, and soon discovered a Solar Spot near the Suns Center, which I defigned to Observe more Exactly the day following, but it proved Cloudy.

May the 16th. Sunday no Sun shine.

May the 17th. Monday, May the 17th, At Six a Clock in the morning I took the same Tellescope, armed with a Clouded Eyeglass, and immediately perceived that the Spot was advanced considerably towards the Suns Western Limb; it seem'd of a strong consistence, very Compact, resembling a Face, and was distant by Noon from the American Limb of the Sun's Diske 61 Seconds of time. See Fig. the 12th.

May the 13th. Tuesday, May the 18th, At noon found the Spot distant from the Preceding Limb of Seconds of Time. Fig. the 12th.

May the 19th. Wednesday, May the 19th, At Noon I observed the Solar Spot to be moved within 33 Seconds of time of his Western Limb. Fig. the 12th.

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Thursday, May the 20th, At Noon the Spot was arrived May the 20th, within 21 Seconds of Time of the Preceding Limb, and moving nearly in a Straight line. Intersecting the Parallel of Declination passing through the Suns Center. Fig. the 12th.

Friday, May the 21st, We had no Sun-shine. May the 21st.

Saturday, May the 22d, At seven a Clock in the Morn-May the 22d, ing I observed the Solar Spot was advanced very near the

Limb of the Sun's Diske. Fig. the 12th.

Sunday, May the 23d, At six in the Morning I saw the May the 23d. Spot, which by that time was gotten to the very Edge of the Sun's Diske, Resembling a Barley Corn, lean and slender, and of a Duskish Colour, wanting only its own shortest Diameter of the Suns Limb. At Eight a Clock I observed it again: Also at Ten, and at Twelve. At Two I perceived it was slid into the very Circumference, and hardly Visible, had I not had an Eye upon it all the day long. At Four I examined the Sun's Body with my Eighteen Foot Glass, which is a good one, but could not perceive the least Glimpse of it; so that about Three in the Afternoon it totally disappeared. Fig. the 12th.

Observations of the Solar Spots in June.

N Tuesday, June the 3d, About six in the Evening June the 3d.
I observed with my Eighteen Foot Glass four Spots in the Sun's Diske, environ'd with a Missiness, thicker on the Right hand than on the Lest, situated in the upper Lest hand Quadrant, about the 12th part of the Sun's Diameter distant from his nearest Limb. From the Cloud about them proceeded both ways five long curve Rays, of a yellower Colour than the Sun's Body. These Spots I could never see more, though I watch'd them for several days together. Fig the 13th.

June the 7th. On Monday, June the 7th, 1703. At three a Clock in the afternoon I discovered the same Spot (to my thinking) that I saw go off the Sun's Diske on May the 23d. Re-entring the Sun's Face just at the time and place that I expected it.

At four of the Clock, the Sun being extremely Clear, I mounted my Eighteen Foot Tellescope, through which the Spot appeared distinct, but slender like a Spider, with an Eliptical Speckly mist about it, and 5 or 6 Light coloured Streaks. It seem'd to me to be as it were divided near the Top, as in the Figure. Fig. the 14th.

June the 8th. Tuesday, June the 8th, At six this Morning the Spot was very Visible, and I saw it trace again its former Path, coming in exactly where I expected; it kept its shape, but those Lemon Coloured Streaks disappeared, tho it self and the Mist about it grew bolder and broader visibly, as it re-entred the Sun's Diske.

June the 9th. Wednesday, June the 9th. At five of the Clock this Evening I observed the Spot with the 18 foot Glass, but could not perceive it had altered its shape, but advanced gradually over the Sun's Diske, as it had formerly done.

Thursday, June the 10th, At noon the Sun shining very bright, I had an opportunity of being assured it was the same Spot, I plainly saw it move over its sormer Path, and was then distant from its nearest Limb 29 seconds of Time. At five in the Evening I observed its shape (with my 18 soot Tube) to be altered, appearing bigger and blacker than ever, as in the Scheme, Fig. 15.

June the 11th. Friday, June the 11th was an ill day for Observations.

But I had a sight on't with the 18 foot Glass; it continued black and bold, as before.

June the 12th. Saturday, June the 12th, At 7 a Clock in the Morning, the Sun's Body being very Clear, I saw the Spot through the 18 foot Glass, retaining its former shape.

Sunday, June the 13th, By this day noon the Spot was June the 13th, arrived at the same point of the Sun's Diske that I found it in on Monday at Noon, May the 17th; which makes me inclinable to believe it was the very same

Spot.

Monday, June the 14th, According to Rules received June the 14th, yesterday from Mr Flamstead, I measured the distance of the Spot from the next Limb of the Sun's Diske, which I found to be 45 seconds of Time from the Anteriour Edge of the Sun's Body: And upon Tuesday, May the eighteenth, it was observed to be in the very same place of its Path, within a single second of Time. At 4 I observed it with my 18 foot Glass, and perceived that it had altered its shape, appearing as at Number 14. I received it on the Scheme, and it was distant from the preceding Limb 612 such parts as the Sun's Semidiameter is 900.

Tuesday, June the 15th, At Noon the Solar Spot was June the 15th, distant 32 seconds of Time from the leading Limb of the Sun's Disk, and covered the very place where the same Spot had been observed on Wednesday the nineteenth of

May.

Wednesday, June the 16th, No Sun shine. Thursday, June the 17th, No Sun-shine. June the 16th. Junethe 17th.

Friday, June the 18th, At Noon I observed the Solar Juneshe 18th. Spot waxing very slender, but notwithstanding that it was black and bold to appearance, the Mistiness about it on the Right Hand perceivable, and that on the Lest grown slender, in proportion with the Spot it self, and found it distant 5 seconds of Time.

Saturday, June the 19th, At 5 this Morning, it being June the 19th. Clear Weather, I saw the Spot distinctly with my 7 foot Tube: At 9 a Clock I mounted my 18 foot Glass, observing once in half an hour all the Morning: At 12 I perceived that all the Cloud or Misty Matter that used to surround the Spot was invisible, and the Spot it self re-

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duced to little or no breadth, in comparison to what it had been towards the Suns Center, and so close to the Limb of the Diske, that I could only perceive a small streak of the Sun's Light between it and the Limb of the Sun's Body; at 2 a Clock I could just perceive it, but grown extremely slender.

The first Revolution I saw the Spot half in the Circumference of the Sun's Limb at 2 a Clock on Suncey, May the 23d: And the second Revolution I just perceived a with the 18 foot Glass, at half an hour after two a Clock

on Saturday the 19th day of June.

Observations of the Solar Spots seen in June and July, 1703.

N Sunday, June the 27th, about fix a Clock in the Evening I observed several spots in the Sun's Diske, but had not the Conveniency to use my longest Tellescope, because of some Trees that were in my way to Westward, so that I made no Observation till the

Tuesday following.

June the 29th, About 7 in the Morning I counted 16 Remarkable Spots in the Sun's Body, and near his Center they appeared as in the Figure, through the 18 foot Glass; then I took my seven Foot Tellescope and Frame, and observed that the foremost Center of six that looked on the Paper as one spot, was distant from the Sun's Anteriour Limb 81 seconds of Time, and the last Cluster 87.

This day the foremost Spot was distant from the sollowing Limb, according to the Path of the Spot, just 55 seconds of Time. The Sun's Diameter was always 136 seconds in the Transit, and the Spot was 126: So that that the Spots path was 10 seconds shorter than the

Sun's Diameter.

Wednesday, June the 30th, At eight a Clock this Morn June the 30th, ing, observing the Solar Spots with my 18 foot Tellescope, I perceived very plain that they had wonderfully increased in Number, and strangely changed their places. The Cluster of seven Spots seem'd to me to move gradually, as the fingle Solar Spot did in Mar. but the Cluster 4 went too fast forward, the 12 Spots without a Mist about them straggled all manner of ways, and the 9 Spots and the 5 black little ones went backward, and unbent itself at the same time as it were into a straight line. I am apt to believe it went backward. as that the other went too fast, or faster than ordinary forward, for in 24 hours the foremost Cluster advanced 21 seconds of Time, which is more by fix seconds than ever the single Spot moved in that time, even when nearest the Sun's Center; and the distance in time between the first and the last Cluster this day was greater by a seconds than the day before.

The foremost Cluster of 4 Spots was distant from the

advancing Limb of the Sun 60 feconds of Time.

At half an hour past 4 the advancing Cluster pass'd the intersection in 55 seconds of Time, after the Sun's foremost Limb had passed Conformable to the Spots path; and the last Spot passed in 63 seconds of Time, the last Limb passing the intersection, according to the Path of the Spot, in 126 seconds of Time, the Sun's largest Diameter passing in 136 seconds, the Spots by this time appeared strangely black, and of very odd shapes, as in the upper part of the Circle.

Thursday, July the 1st, At eight a Clock in the Morn-July the 1st, ing I observed the Solar Spots with my eighteen foor Telescope, the Weather being good, and saw that they had rang'd themselves in Respect of one another, as is Represented in the upper part of the Scheme : The leading and largest Spot being distant from the anteriour Limb 44 seconds of Time, the last Cluster lying a little

awry, pass'd in 53 seconds: After the Anteriour Limb so done, the following Limb also pass'd the Intersection. according to the path of the Spot, in 125 seconds of Time.

Friday, Saturday, No Sun-shine.

July the 4th.

Sunday, July the 4th, This Morning at eight a Clock the Leading Spot was distant from the advancing Limb 10' seconds of Time, the Spots and Clusters retaining nearly the same shape, but beginning to Contract themselves, the foremost methought look'd strong enough to make another Revolution, and pass'd in 127 seconds.

July the 5th

Monday, July the 5th, At seven a Clock I sound the Spots had quite alter'd their shape, appearing dull and slender, as in the lower part of the Scheme, and distant about sour seconds, being all included in a Cloud.

July the 6th.

Tuesday, July the 6th, At ten a Clock the Sun's Diske, view'd with my 18 foot Telescope, was found clear of all Spots.

On the seventeenth day of July, about sour a Clock in the Asternoon I observed some Spots in the Sun's Body, resembling those I saw on Thursday the third of June, only with this difference, that these appeared to me as if they had been heated red hot; they seem'd to be in the same part of the Sun's Diske. I observed them above an hour together that day, but could never afterwards set Eye on them, nor discover whether they were coming in, or going off his Visible Diske. I continued to observe the Sun, as often as was possible, with my eighteen soot Glass, till the end of the Month, but without farther success.